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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

This is a request for filing, under 37 CFR § 1.53(b), a(n):

- Original (non-provisional) application.
- Divisional of prior application Serial No. __, filed on __.
- Continuation of prior application Serial No. __, filed on __.
- Continuation-in-part of prior application Serial No. 09/484,319, filed on January 18, 2000.

For Divisional and Continuation applications ONLY:

- Copy of Executed Declaration, Power of Attorney and Petition Form from parent application is enclosed (as noted below in Enclosures).
- Incorporation by Reference: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied herewith, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

For all Divisional, Continuation and Continuation-in-part applications:

- A Small Entity Statement was filed in the prior application, small entity status is still proper and desired.
- This application is assigned to __ by virtue of an earlier assignment filed in the prior application at Reel __, Frame __.

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT/CALCULATION OF FEES

- Please cancel claims __ without prejudice, and prior to calculating the fees. __ total claim(s), of which __ is(are) independent, is(are) pending after the amendment.
- Please enter the enclosed preliminary amendment identified below prior to calculating the fees. __ total claim(s), of which __ is(are) independent, is(are) pending after the amendment.

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The Fees are Calculated as Follows:

Fee:	Number of Claims:	In Excess of:	Extra:	At Rate:	Amount:
Total Claims	20	20	0	\$18	\$0.00
Independent Claims	3	3	0	\$80	\$0.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM FEE					
BASIC FEE					
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS					
REDUCTION BY 50% FOR FILING BY SMALL ENTITY					
TOTAL					
\$710.00					

ENCLOSURES

Utility Patent Application Transmittal Form (in duplicate) containing Certificate of Mailing By Express Mail Under 37 CFR 1.10.

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APPLICATION PAPERS

Utility Patent Application, with: cover sheet, 63 page(s) specification (including 20 total claim(s), of which 3 is(are) independent), and 1 page(s) abstract.

Drawings: 14 sheet(s) of formal drawings (16 total figure(s)).

Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix).

Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence, including (all are necessary): Computer Readable Copy, Paper Copy (identical to computer copy), and Statement verifying identity of copies.

An Unsigned Declaration, Power of Attorney and Petition Form.

Copy of Executed Declaration, Power of Attorney and Petition Form from prior application identified above.

Certified Copy of priority document(s) identified as attached above.

ADDITIONAL PAPERS

Assignment to __, Recordation Cover Sheet (Form PTO-1595)

Verified Statement to Establish Small Entity Status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27.

Preliminary Amendment (to be entered prior to calculation of fees)

Information Disclosure Statement, __ sheet(s) Form PTO-1449, __ U.S. Patent Reference(s), __ Foreign Patent Reference(s) and __ Other Reference(s)

Other: __

CHECKS

A Check of \$710.00 for the filing fee.

A Check of __ for the assignment recording fee.

DEPOSIT ACCOUNT AUTHORIZATION

- Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-3000 in the amount of ____.
- The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-3000 . A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.**
- THE PAYMENT OF FEES IS BEING DEFERRED.

Respectfully Submitted,

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